

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

20TH NOVEMBER 2019

A public meeting was held on Wednesday 20th November 2019 at 7pm in the Village Hall, East Drayton.

The aim was to canvas the views of village residents as part of the commencement of Stage 2 of the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Two planners from BDC led the meeting which was attended by 30 villagers.

STAGE 2 - PLAN PREPARATION includes:

- Plan preparation founded on a vision for the neighbourhood and supporting objectives.
- Development of an evidence base to underpin the vision and objectives, which could include -
 1. Surveying local people about issues and priorities in the neighbourhood.
 2. Assessing local housing provision and future needs.
 3. Assessing the built character of the plan area.
 4. Documenting local greenspace.
 5. Assessing sites for potential housing development.

The aim of the meeting was to assess the views of the residents prior to surveying the local people and assessing future needs. The Steering Group meeting to be held on 5th December will ratify the "Terms of Reference" for the group; establish working parties for the 5 points above and consider the comments and ideas raised at the public meeting. Attendees were asked to write their comments/ideas on "post-it" notes and place on the large scale maps of the village provided for this exercise. The comments are listed below.

NEW BUILD PROPERTIES

- Houses not bungalows
- Smaller bungalows development
- No set design as there is an eclectic feel to the houses already
- Individually designed houses reflecting historic traditional character styles not typical 1960/70s
- No housing estates by allocating blocks of land
- Properties with smaller, more manageable gardens
- Smaller houses to enable young people to remain in the village and older residents to down-size without moving from the village
- Provision for older people, community housing resource
- No thatched houses
- Period style homes
- Needs to be same as current properties
- New builds do not need to look like an estate
- New builds to have water harvesting collection
- Consider clean energy for heating - solar, wind power

SUGGESTED SITES

- Old cricket field
- "Pumpkin" field
- Land on corner of Top Street

SITING IN GENERAL

- Good to have conservation area
- Ground allowance for each build
- Not to build on flood plain
- Distance of new build to be a set distance from conservation area and archaeological sites
- Locally owned green space or smaller plots of green space
- Environmental features - new hedges/tree planting; wildflower areas; swift nest-boxes in new houses....
- Not to disrupt public rights of way and accessible paths to the north of the village
- No ridge and furrow features to be removed in any new development
- Steady development and growth within the village along existing roads
- Creation of a settlement boundary
- Land earmarked for new graveyard

SERVICES AND FACILITIES

- Quality of roads
- Traffic calming on Top Street/extra speed cameras/ road safety "stealth" cameras/ possible zebra crossing
- Stop people parking on paths to improve accessibility
- Exclusion of heavy good vehicles other than farm machinery
- Public transport improved
- Upgrading substation, improving electrical supply capacity and continuity of supply
- Better street lighting
- Drainage; SUDS - sustainable urban drainage
- No wind turbines; community heating using wood chip
- Disabilities access and facilities in infrastructure
- Better quality phone reception (4/5G)
- Parking - specifically by church
- Good dog walks
- Recreational area/playground
- Improved facilities at sports ground; Sports ground nearer to village
- New village hall/Development surplus from a larger development to be used for new village hall
- Farm shop/Village shop
- Make sure pub stays open; Co-operative for pub; Pub cum shop cum cafe